



INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL UNIVERSITY
MALAYSIA

CHINESE MEDICINE

CENTRE FOR
COMPLEMENTARY
& ALTERNATIVE
MEDICINE

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What Is IMU's Chinese Medicine Programme About?

Overview

The programme consists of 4.5 years (12 semesters) of academic and clinical training. IMU has partnerships with several universities in China and Australia. They are the Shanghai University of Traditional Chinese Medicine, Shandong University of Traditional Chinese Medicine, Guangzhou University of Traditional Chinese Medicine and RMIT University. Students can transfer to these partner universities after completing 3 years of studies at IMU. After an additional 2 years in their university of choice, they will be awarded the Bachelor Degree in Chinese Medicine by the respective partner universities. Students on the local track also have the option to embark on a 6-months to 1-year internship in China upon completing 4.5 years at IMU.

Students are given a solid foundation in medical knowledge. They are trained to understand the human body from its structure and physiology, through to pathology and sickness in both western sciences and Chinese Medicine perspectives. During semester 8, students are attached to hospital and clinic. They are required to put their learned knowledge into practice for a total of 28 full weeks under close supervision of experienced Chinese Medicine practitioners.

DEGREE / DURATION

Bachelor of Science (Hons) in Chinese Medicine (IMU) — 4.5 years

Degree from partner universities — 5 years

COMMENCEMENT

February and September

PARTNER UNIVERSITIES

AUSTRALIA



CHINA



A Word from the Programme Director

“Chinese Medicine is a holistic medicine which consist of health preservation and healing practices which originated from China but is still in practice today. Malaysia is moving towards integrated practice in healthcare and has enforced the T&CM Act since 1 August 2016 with 15 government hospitals providing T&CM services. In line with the national policy, the Chinese Medicine programme in IMU is delivered in an integrative manner, where students will acquire knowledge from both Chinese Medicine and western medicine. By delivering our programme in English, we open the doors to everyone who is keen to learn Chinese Medicine and not restraint to only those who knows Mandarin. Through such studies, students will equip themselves with evidence-based medical knowledge to deal with future challenges locally or internationally as a healthcare provider.”

WONG ZHI HANG — Lecturer & Programme Director
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How Does the Programme Work?

Chinese Medicine Programme Structure

SEMESTER 1	SHORT SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2	SEMESTER 3	SHORT SEMESTER 2	SEMESTER 4
<p>Botany & Medicinal Chemistry</p> <p>Chinese Medicine Theory</p> <p>Information Acquisition & Analysis</p> <p>Limb & Trunk Anatomy</p> <p>Ethnic Relations, or Malaysian Studies</p> <p>Islamic / Asian Civilisation (TITAS), or Malay Language Communication 3</p> <p>BKA / English for Health Sciences</p>	<p>Diagnosis in Chinese Medicine</p> <p>Selective: Medical Classical Chinese 1</p> <p>Selective: Basic Mandarin 1</p>	<p>Cell Biology</p> <p>Human Biology</p> <p>Head & Visceral Anatomy</p> <p>Medical Biochemistry</p> <p>Chinese Materia Medical</p> <p>Selective: Medical Classical Chinese 2</p> <p>Selective: Basic Mandarin 2</p>	<p>Human Physiology 1</p> <p>Human Physiology 2</p> <p>Acupuncture Theory & Practice 1</p> <p>Chinese Medicine Herbal Formulae</p>	<p>Classic Literature in Chinese Medicine – Internal Classic</p> <p>Classic Literature in Chinese Medicine – Shang Han Lun</p>	<p>Chinese Medicine History</p> <p>General Pathology</p> <p>Medical Microbiology & Genetics</p> <p>Acupuncture Theory & Practice 2</p> <p>Medical Microbiology & Genetics</p> <p>Work-Life Balance in Global & Malaysian Perspective</p>
SEMESTER 5	SHORT SEMESTER 3	SEMESTER 6	SEMESTER 7	SHORT SEMESTER 4	SEMESTER 8
<p>Systemic Pathology</p> <p>Pharmacology & Toxicology</p> <p>Acupuncture Techniques</p> <p>Classic Literature in Chinese Medicine – Golden Chamber</p> <p>Classic Literature in Chinese Medicine – Wen Bing</p>	<p>Chinese Internal Medicine 1</p> <p>Chinese Internal Medicine 2</p>	<p>Differential Diagnosis in Western Medicine 1</p> <p>Differential Diagnosis in Western Medicine 2</p> <p>Clinical Skills Development: Diagnosis</p> <p>Clinical Skills Development: Radiology</p> <p>Research Project 1</p> <p>Management for Chinese Medicine Practice</p> <p>Social Responsibility</p>	<p>Chinese Dietary & Exercise Therapy</p> <p>Introduction to Clinical Practice in Chinese Medicine</p> <p>Chinese Medicine Traumatology</p> <p>Chinese Medicine Gynaecology</p> <p>Research Project 2</p> <p>First Aid & Emergency Conditions</p> <p>Psychology for Healthcare Professionals</p>	<p>Chinese Medicine Paediatrics</p> <p>Chinese Medicine ENT & Ophthalmology</p> <p>Chinese Medicine Dermatology</p> <p>Medical Laws, Regulations & Ethics</p>	<p>Supervised Clinical Practice 1</p> <p>Supervised Clinical Practice 2</p>

The curriculum is reviewed periodically and is subject to change.

The MPU modules are compulsory modules imposed by Ministry of Higher Education under the Private Higher Educational Institutions Act 1996 (Act 555). All students must take these modules and pass as a prerequisite for the award of the degree.

Assessment

Students will be assessed through both continuous assessment and final end of semester examinations. Assessment methods include: written assignment, laboratory report, presentation, quiz, problem-based learning, case-based learning, skill-based practical exam and clinical exam.

Clinical Practice

Students will first start their clinical practices in a simulated environment. Simulated clinical practices are available from as early as Year 1. They will also start observing Chinese Medicine practitioners in clinical settings.

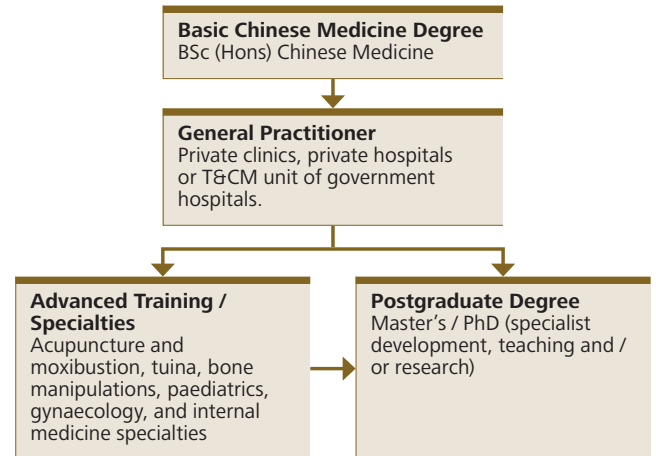
From Year 3, students will start to practise in the real-world environment. Students are required to collect a wide range of case records for each clinical subjects. They then proceed to a 28-week long clinical practices under close supervision of experienced Chinese Medicine practitioners. These supervised clinical practice sessions are conducted at IMU Chinese Medicine Centre, Tung Shin Hospital and Chihui Tang Traditional Herbal Centre.

Career Pathway

Once registered with the MOH, the Chinese medicine practitioner can work in any of these positions:

- Chinese medicine practitioner in integrated healthcare in a government or private hospital.
- Chinese medicine practitioner in a Chinese medicine hospital.
- Acupuncturist in an integrated hospital or Chinese medicine hospital or clinic.
- Chinese medicine practitioner in a private Chinese medicine clinic, as the owner and practitioner or as an employee.
- With additional post graduate qualification as a lecturer in a University or Chinese academy, delivering courses (diploma, degree, post-graduate degrees or certificate) in Chinese Medicine or acupuncture.
- A member in the sale and marketing of Chinese medicine products.
- With additional post graduate training as a researcher in an academic institution or herbal or pharmaceutical manufacturing company.

CAREER PATHS FOR CHINESE MEDICINE PRACTITIONERS



Why Study Chinese Medicine at IMU?

1

An Established Private Healthcare University

IMU is Malaysia's first and most established private medical and healthcare university with over 26 years of dedicated focus in healthcare education. IMU achieved the SETARA-2017 Tier 6 status (Outstanding) under the Mature University category.

2

Strong Western Science and Medicine Component

IMU offers a wide range of medical and healthcare programmes. The western science and medicine subjects in Chinese Medicine are delivered by experienced western medicine practitioners. Not only are students able to fully immerse in a solid medical science learning environment, they could also enhance their learning through inter-professional networking and activities at IMU.

3

Internationally Benchmarked English Curriculum

IMU is one of the few universities in Malaysia to offer Chinese Medicine in an English-speaking environment. The programme is delivered in English, is supported with Mandarin when required, and is accepted by Australia and China for credit transfer. Both our partner universities in Australia and China are part of the large WHO Chinese Medicine research centre network.

4

Student-Centred and Lifelong Learning Emphasis

The IMU educational philosophy is not about how many lectures are delivered. Instead, it emphasises on how much students have learned. This unique approach encourages students to be responsible for their own studies. As such, many learning activities are centred around students, from which they will hone their critical thinking and clinical skills to become competent lifelong Chinese Medicine practitioners in the modern world.

5

Personalised Attention from Lecturers

Students are able to receive personalised attention from their lecturers due to an emphasis on small group learning. This enhances the teaching and learning experience for students.

How Much Does It Cost?

Chinese Medicine Programme Fees

All fees quoted are in Ringgit Malaysia unless stated otherwise.

FEES OVERVIEW

Fee	Amount (RM)	
	Malaysian Student	International Student
Application Fee	150	500
Registration Fee	850	2,000
Refundable Caution Deposit	1,000	1,000
Tuition Fee	99,000	113,000

- Application fee is payable upon submission of application.
- Registration fee and refundable caution deposit are payable upon acceptance of the offer letter issued by the IMU Admissions Office.
- As stipulated by Malaysian Ministry of Higher Education, international students will have to pay Student Visa Application fee of RM1,000 and Medical Health Check fee of RM250 and Visa endorsement fee (depending on nationality) upon registration.
- International students will also be required to pay Student Visa Renewal Administrative fee of RM140/year and Medical Health Check fee of RM250/year.
- Students must adhere to the "Policy on Payment of Fees".
- All students are required to pay Student Association Fees of RM40 per semester.

FEES BY PROGRAMME ROUTES

Programme Route	Total Duration (years)	At International Medical University (IMU)						At Partner University (PU)				At IMU + PU	
		Years	Total Semesters	Tuition Fee				Years	Total Semesters	Tuition Fee *		Total Tuition Fees **	
				Per Semester		Total				Per Year	Total		
				Malaysian Student	International Student	Malaysian Student	International Student					Malaysian / International Student	Malaysian / International Student
Bachelor of Science (Hons) Chinese Medicine (IMU)	4	4	8 long	10,300	11,500	99,000	113,000	–	–	–	–	–	–
			4 short	4,150	5,250								
Credit Transfer to RMIT University Bachelor of Applied Science & Bachelor of Health Science in Chinese Medicine	5	3	6 long	10,300	11,500	74,250	84,750	2	4	A\$32,630	A\$65,260	271,074	281,574
			3 short	4,150	5,250								
Credit Transfer to Shanghai University of TCM / Shandong University of TCM / Guangzhou University of TCM Bachelor of Medicine in Chinese Medicine	5	3	6 long	10,300	11,500	74,250	84,750	2	4	RMB42,000	RMB84,000	124,650	135,150
			3 short	4,150	5,250								

Note

* Current estimates only.

** Based on exchange rates: A\$1 ≈ RM3.016, RMB1 ≈ RM0.60

- Tuition and ancillary fees at partner universities overseas are subject to annual increases.
- All fees are accurate at time of print. For latest fees and information, please go to www.imu.edu.my.

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Programmes at IMU

Pre-University

Foundation in Science
KPT/JPT(R/010/3/0186)09/2023

Undergraduate

Medicine
KPT/JPT(R2/721/6/0033)09/2026

Psychology
KPT/JPT(R2/311/6/0013)09/2022

Dentistry
KPT/JPT(R2/724/6/0010)01/2023

Pharmacy
KPT/JPT(R2/727/6/0050)09/2026

Pharmaceutical Chemistry
KPT/JPT(R2/442/6/0003)01/2023

Dietetics with Nutrition
KPT/JPT(R2/726/6/0021)09/2022

Nutrition
KPT/JPT(R/726/6/0011)06/2022

Biomedical Science
KPT/JPT(R2/421/6/0011)09/2022

Medical Biotechnology
KPT/JPT(R2/545/6/0014)09/2022

Chiropractic
KPT/JPT(R/726/6/0054)08/2026

Chinese Medicine
KPT/JPT(R/721/6/0059)01/2020

Nursing
KPT/JPT(R/723/6/0125)04/2020

Nursing Science
(for registered nurses)
KPT/JPT(R2/723/6/0101)01/2024

Postgraduate

Acupuncture (MSc)
KPT/JPT(N/721/7/0071)03/2022

Analytical & Pharmaceutical
Chemistry (MSc)
KPT/JPT(R-CDL/442/7/0001)01/2022

Business Administration in
Healthcare Management
(Postgraduate Certificate/Master)
KPT/JPT(N/345/7/1082)9/2023
KPT/JPT(N/345/7/1085)10/2023

Diabetes Management & Education
(Postgraduate Diploma)
KPT/JPT(N/726/7/0030)02/2023

Health Professions Education (HPE)
(Postgraduate Certificate/
Postgraduate Diploma/Master)
KPM/JPT(N/145/7/0066)09/2020
KPM/JPT(N/145/7/0064)09/2020
KPM/JPT(N/145/7/0070)09/2020

Implant Dentistry (Postgraduate Diploma)
KPT/JPT(N/724/7/0019)06/2021

Molecular Medicine (MSc)
KPT/JPT(R/545/7/0078)07/2022

Pharmacy Practice (Master)
KPT/JPT(N/727/7/0051)03/2019

Public Health (MSc)
KPT/JPT(R/720/7/0077)09/2020

Medical & Health Sciences
(MSc & PhD by Research)
KPT/JPT(R/721/8/0043)01/2020
KPT/JPT(R2/720/7/0049)06/2026



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